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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION TO QADHAFI'S BENGHAZI SPEECH

1. EGYPTIAN MEDIA REACTION TO QADHAFI'S BENGHAZI SPEECH IS PREDICTABLY HIGHLY CRITICAL, THOUGH NOT MUCH SPACE IN DAILIES IS DEVOTED TO IT. AHAM HAS FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE REPORTING QADHAFI'S "OPEN ADMISISSION" OF ATTEMPT ASSASSINATE MUHAYSHI. IN APPENDED SHORT COMMENT, AHAM EXPRESSES ITS AMAZEMENT THAT FOR FIRST TIME IN RECORDED HISTORY HEAD OF STATE HAS MADE SUCH ADMISSION OF INTENT TO MURDER A COLLEAGUE. GUMHURIYYA REPORTS THAT QADHAFI IS SUPPLYING TERRORIST GANGS IN EUROPE WITH WEAPONS. AHAM REPORTS FROM LONDON THAT RADIO MOSCOW HAS ANNOUNCED THAT USSR AND LIBYA HAVE AGREED TO EXCHANGE TELEVISION AND RADIO PROGRAMS. THIS LATTER ITEM IS SO ABSURD TO EGYPTIANS THAT NO COMMENT IS FELT NECESSARY.

2. GUMHURIYYA COMMENTARY BY MANAGING EDITOR LIKENS QADHAFI'S "MEGALOMANIACAL" PERFORMANCE TO SOMEONE SHOWING EFFECTS OF LSD TRIP.
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